REMARKS

This communication is responsive to the Official Action mailed November 29, 2006.

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's careful consideration of the claims and the indication that claims 2, 6 and 8 are allowed and that claim 3 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of claim 1.

Applicant has recast claim 1 to include the feature previously recited in claim 3 so that claim 1 now recites "wherein said frame cycle for retransmission is preset to a predetermined frame cycle depending on size of an asynchronous transmission area available for asynchronous transmission in a band-reserved transmission line allowing one of band-secured transmission." Applicant transmission and therefore respectfully submits that claim 1 is now allowable. In addition, applicant respectfully submits that the addition of this feature to claim 1 does not in any way impact the scope of any of the other limitations originally recited in claim 1.

Claim 3 has been cancelled.

As claims 4 and 5 depend from claim 1, applicant respectfully submits that these claims are also now allowable.

Claims 7 and 9 have been cancelled.

In view of the foregoing amendments, applicant respectfully submits that all the claims pending in the application, namely claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8 are allowable.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested

that the Examiner's telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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Respectfully submitted,

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